















*The 1954*

# ***BOBCAT***

*of*

***BLAKELY HIGH***

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*We Call it*









# FOREWORD

We, of Blakely-Union High School, live in the heart of Dixie. We are surrounded by the charm and beauty of the Old South. This--the Old South--is our home and its customs and traditions are our way of life. We sincerely hope that it is ever reflected in our lives and in our spirits.

We would like to leave with you a representative record of the school life of a happy, wholesome group of girls and boys living life at its best in Dixie.

Through this door of Blakely-Union High School we have known joys and sorrows, and yet, we will always point to it with love and honor.



# ALMA MATER

Our strong band can ne'er be broken,  
Formed in Blakely High,  
Far surpassing wealth unspoken,  
Sealed by friendships tie.

Blakely, Fairest, we shall give,  
Loyalty and Praise,  
Give our hearts devotion ever  
Through our high school days.

High school life at best is passing,  
Gliding swiftly by;  
Let us pledge in word and deed,  
Our love for Blakely High.



# DEDICATION

In order to express our most sincere appreciation for your time and effort you have so graciously and freely given in order to make this annual a success, we, the Senior Class, dedicate the 1954 Bobcat to you, our Sponsors, Miss Annette Alexander and Mrs. J. O. Brown.



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# A Southern Gentleman - SPEAKS



It is indeed my desire that each of you through your activities and experiences at Blakely-Union School, will be better prepared to meet the problems of life. I hope that the course of study here is constructive and shall so enrich your lives that you will be happier and more successful in your endeavors after leaving us.

Let us ever be mindful of the fact that it is our duty as American Citizens and residents of Georgia and of Early County, to do our part and accept our responsibility in making this a better county, state and nation in which to live.

I would like to congratulate you and your sponsors for the splendid work you have done on this year's annual.

I have enjoyed my work with you in Blakely-Union School and wish to compliment you on your fine school spirit, excellent cooperation and good behavior.

*G. W. House*



# SENIOR OFFICERS



PRESIDENT..... Doris Odum  
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# SENIORS

William Joseph Amos

"He smiled and said; 'Don't rush me, girls!'"

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Who's Who; Delta Sigma Pi 3, 4; Baseball 2, 4; Beta Club 2, 3; D.C.T. 4; B. Club 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; School Patrol 1, 2.



# SENIORS

William Claude Barksdale

"If it be a gentleman and scholar ye seek, ye have found him."

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; B Club 2, 3, 4, Pres. 4; Beta Club 2, 3, 4, Reporter 4; Hi-Y 1, 2, 3, 4, Sec. 2, 3, Pres. 4; Baseball 3; Who's Who; Annual Staff; Delta Sigma Pi; Class Pres. 3.



Mary Louise Blackburn

"If men interfere with work, quit work."

Beta Club 3; Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4; Transfer.

James Earl Brown

"Speech is great but silence is better."

Beta Club 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3; Track 2, 3; FFA 1, 2, 3, 4, Treas. 2, 3, 4.

Miriam Bynum

"Dark brown eyes and dark brown hair, just loads of fun, I do declare."

FHA 1, 2, 4; Beta Club 2, 3; Tri-Hi-Y 1, 3, 4; Library Assistant 1, 2, 3, 4.



Mary Evelyn Clark

"Sometimes I sit and think; sometimes I just sit."

Beta Club 4; FHA 1; Dramatic Club 3; Tri-Hi-Y 1, 4; Class Sec. 2; Library Assistant 4; Class Beauty 1, 4.

Charles Edward Cosby

"The world's no better if we worry, life is no longer if we hurry."

Hi-Y 1, 2, 3, 4, Treas. 4; DCT 2, 3, 4; Vice Pres. 4, Reporter 3; Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Delta Sigma Pi 3, 4; Football 4; Basketball 4; School Patrol 1.



Howard Royce Davenport

"The best way to hold a girl is in your arms."

FFA 1, 2; Hi-Y 1, 2, 3, 4, Corresponding Sec. 4; Delta Sigma Pi 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2; "B" Club 2, 3, 4; Beta Club 4; Class Reporter 3; Dramatic Club 3; FHA's Boy of Year 2; Basketball 1, 2; School Patrol 1.

Mary Alice Driver

"Live as long as you're happy; be happy as long as you live."

Tri-Hi-Y 1, 2, 4; Library Asst. 4; FHA 1, 2, 3, 4, Scrapbook Committee 2.





# SENIORS

Carl Hammack Fariss

"It's not what you do, it's what you're caught doing."

Football 2, 3, 4, Co-Capt. 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 4; Beta Club 2, 3, 4, Vice-Pres. 4; Hi-Y 1, 3, 4, Program Chr. 4; D C T 4, Pres. 4; Dramatic Club 3, 4; FFA 1; Annual Staff 4; Class Treas. 2; School Patrol 1, 2; Co-Capt. 2; B Club 2, 3, 4; Delta Sigma Pi 3, 4; Dist. Meet 4.

Wynette Hayes

"He who talks little, thinks much."

Who's Who; FHA 1, 2; Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Asst. 4; Class Sec. 4.

Virginia Lee Jackson

"She is always there, ready to do her share."

FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 1, 2, 4.

Hollis McDonald

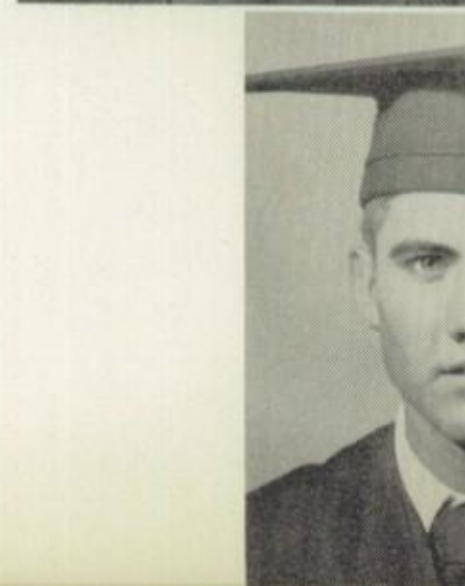
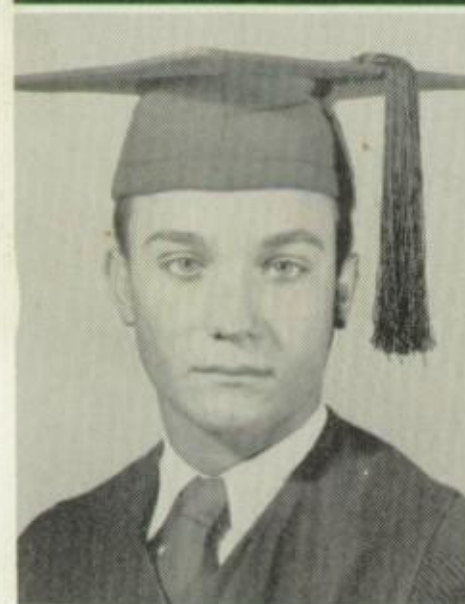
"He got 2 spools and an old tin can. He made a flivver and the thing ran."

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2; Baseball 1; Track 1; Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Hi-Y 1, 2; B Club 1, 2, 3, 4; DCT 4; Who's Who; Class Sec. 1.

Norman John Nobles

"To worry or hurry is not my creed."

FFA 1, 2, 3, 4.



# SENIORS

Claudette Lee Fleming

"Pretty is as pretty does, but it saves a lot of time to be good looking."

Class Reporter 1; FHA 1; Beta Club 2, 3, 4, Pres. 3; Kappa Theta Pi 2, 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 2, 3, 4, Reporter 3; B Club 4, Sec. -Treas. 4; FFA Honorary Member 4, Chapter Sweetheart 2, 3, 4, Quartet Pianist 2, 3, 4; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff; "Miss B. H. S.," Homecoming Queen 3, 4; Cheerleader 1, 2, 3, 4; Music 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Beauty 3, 4; Who's Who; Girls State 3; Class Prophecy; Halloween Queen 4; Dist. Meet 4.

John James Hewitt, Jr.

"Don't blame me because I'm late, it's not my fault, it's just fate."

Beta Club 2, 3, 4, Sec. 3, Pres. 4; Who's Who; Annual Staff; Dramatic Club 3, 4, Dist. Meet 3, 4; Transfer.

Myra Sue Jenkins

"A winsome smile and a winning way, still lighten even the darkest day."

Tri-Hi-Y 1, 2, 3, 4, Pres. 3; FHA 1, 2; Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Class Pres. 2; Who's Who; Music 1.

Martha Lee Nash

"A kindly heart and a friendly word."

FHA 1, 2; Tri-Hi-Y 4; Library Asst. 4; Dramatic Club 3.



# SENIORS

Betty Jane Odom

"Full of pep, of life, of play; that's Betty, both night and day."

FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff; Tri-Hi-Y 4; DCT 4, Sec. - Treas. 4, Chr. Recreation Committee; Library Asst. 2, 3.

Mary Frances Owen

"It's nice to be natural when you're naturally nice."

Class Vice Pres. 1, Reporter 4; FHA 1, 2, 3, 4, Chr. Rec. 1, Sec. 2, 4, State Home-maker Degree; Beta Club 2, 3, 4, Vice Pres. 3, Tri-Hi-Y 1, 2, 3, 4, Vice Pres. 2, Pres. 4; Kappa Theta Pi 2, 3, Histor-ian 2, 3; Music 1, 2, 3, 4; Li-brary Asst. 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Beauty 1; Who's Who; Annual Staff; Dramatic Club 3, Class Sec. 3.

Hallie Ruth Perry

"The talk slid north, the talk slid south, it kept rattling from her mouth."

F.H.A. 1; Tri-Hi-Y 1, 3, 4; Library Asst. 1, 2, 3, 4.

Dorothy Faye Robinson

"Live, learn, and love, there may come a time when you can't."

FHA 1, 2, 3, 4, Projects Chr. 1, 2, 3, Treas. 4; Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Who's Who; Annual Staff; Tri-Hi-Y 1, 2, 3, 4, Sec. 4; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Dist. Meet; Basketball 1, 3, 4; B Club, Chr. Rec. 4; Class Beauty; Speech 1; Music 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 1; Class His-tory; Softball 2; Girl of Mo-nth 3, 4.



# SENIORS

Doris Odum

"An all around girl in every way, I think that's all we need to say."

FHA 1, 2, 3, 4, State Home-maker Degree, Parl. 1, Girl of Month 3, 4, Pres. 2, 3, Vice Pres. 4; Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 1, 2, 3, 4, Treas. 4; Class Pres. 1, 4, Program Chr. 2; B Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain 4; Who's Who; Annual Staff; DAR Med-al Home Ec. 1; Softball 2; DAR Citizenship Medal 4.

Frances Pearson

"Merry as the day is long." DCT 4; Tri-Hi-Y 4; Transfer.

Billy Ray Pittman

"Happy-go-lucky, fair and free; nothing in the world bo-thers me."

FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; Hi-Y 1.

Martha Jane Rogers

"She's not a flower, not a pearl, just a sweet and all-'round girl."

FHA Parl. 2, Songleader 1, Chr. Public Relations 3, Pres. 4, State Homemaker Degree; Tri-Hi-Y 1, 2, 3, 4, Vice-Pres. 3, 4; Editor of Annual; Who's Who; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Class Will; Kappa Theta Pi 2, Treas. 2; Glee Club 1; Library Asst. 2; F H A Song Leader 1; Class Project Chr. 3; F H A Girl of the Month; Beta Club 2, 3, 4, FHA 1, 2, 3, 4.

Ted Sirmons

"Spring fever entered his bones and lingered all these years."

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Hi-Y 1; Basketball 1, Baseball 1, 4; B Club 2, 3, 4; FFA 1, 2, 3.



# SENIORS

Norman Bailey Smith

"All out for football, bruises and bumps."

Football 1, 2, 3; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 4; B Club 2, 3, 4; FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; Asst. Sec. 2, Sec. 3, Pres. 4; Ga. Planter Degree 3, Merit Award 1, Delegate to State Leadership Conference, Chr. of Conduct of meetings 3, Chr. Leadership Comm.; Class Vice Pres. 3, 4, Program Chr. 3; FHA Boy of Year 3, Boy of Month 2, 3, 4; Hi-Y 1; Music 2, 3, 4; School Patrol 1, 2; Annual Staff; Who's Who.

Crawford Paul Swann

"Never idle, never still, Crawford's always talking, talk he will."

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2; School Patrol 1, 2; Hi-Y 1, 2; FFA 1; Dramatic Club 3; B Club 2, 3, 4; Who's Who; Music 4; Delta Sigma Pi.

Lucy Ann Wasdin

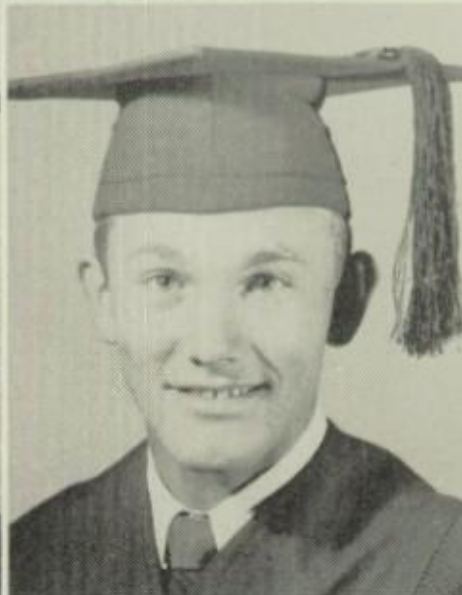
"If she had a brain, she'd be dangerous."

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; B Club 2, 3, 4; FHA 1, 2, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 1, 2, 4; Annual Staff; Who's Who; Music 3; Softball 2; Dramatic Club 3.

Jacquelyn Widener

"At the piano she does excell, a second Chopin, who can tell."

F H A 1, 2, Song Leader 2, Trio 1, 2; Pianist FFA Quartet 1, 2; Beta Club 2, 3, 4, Treas. 4; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Dist. Meet Sololst 3, 4, 1st Place 3, School Trio 3, Typing 3; Annual Staff; Who's Who, Glee Club 1.



# SENIORS

Mary Stokes

"Nice and always a friend, this she will be to the end."

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Co-Capt. 4; B Club 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA 1, 2; Tri-Hi-Y 1, 2, 3; Who's Who; Annual Staff; Music 1, 2; Softball 2.

Herbert James Swords

"Friends, Romans, Countrymen, lend me your women."

FFA 1; Hi-Y 1; Basketball 3; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Capt. 4; Who's Who; Track 1, 2, 3; B Club 2, 3, 4, Vice-Pres. 4; D C T 4; Baseball 3, 4; Dramatic Club 3, 4.

Eugene Watson

"I'm through teacher, now you can talk."

FFA 1, 2, 3, Vice Pres. 3; Football 3, 4; Basketball 2; B Club 3, 4; Track 2; DCT 4; Who's Who.

Harvey Woolf

"In football he's quite the thing; in fact he's good in everything."

Football 1, 2, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Co-Capt. 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; B Club 2, 3, 4; Class Treas. 1, 3, 4; Who's Who; "Mr. B.H.S." Delta Sigma Pi; Annual Staff; School Patrol 1, 2; FFA 1, 4; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Halloween King 4.



# HONORS



VALEDICTORIAN.....DORIS ODUM

SALUTATORIAN.....WYNETTE HAYES

GOOD CITIZENSHIP AWARD.....DORIS ODUM

REPRESENTATIVE TO GIRL'S STATE...CLAUDETTE FLEMING







## CLASS HISTORY

"Er long time ergo," said Uncle Remus, "er whole batch ob chilluns started to school in Blakely, Georgia, honey. Bless grashus, chile, dey wuz good nice chillun. Dey mommas tuck 'em to de schoolhouse en sot 'em down en lef' 'em wid de teachers. De teachers tol' dem dey wuz goin' on a big education hunt in high school an' ter play lak de wuz on a boat. Seems dis education hunt would take dese chilluns to heaps of places, er so dey sez. 'Course dey wusn't really gwine nowhere - dey wuz just makin' believe. Well, sez de teachers, de name ob de boat wuz - The Shell and it tuk The Class of 54 - dat was whut de chillun called deyselves - ober de ocean of Grammar School. Dey had their-selves 'er time on dis boat en de teachers wuz Miz J. E. Freeman en Mis' Verne DuBose, two nice white ladies. Dey call Miz Sessions de captain ob de boat.

Now new chilluns wuz coming to de school all de time en in de second er third year of dis trip dey wuz takin', Mary Frances Owen and Norman Nobles come to go wid 'em.

In de fourth year dey changed boats en dey left de old Shell en clum on a bright shiney new un - De Blakely-Union School -dey called hit. Now all de time dey wuz gettin' closer en closer ter de place where dey wuz gwine en Jackie Widener en Miriam Bynum en Lucy Wasdin en Herbert Swords en Betty Odum jined up wid 'em. Dey got Themselves a new Captain too 'caze Miz Sessions, she never went no fu ther.

After er sailin' en er sailin', dey come ter er island named Junior Hi! Dem chil-lens seen dem dat dey had ter go fru' er whole lot er pre-le'ming 'fore dey could get ter dis hyar High School. Dey wuz scared ob dis place enyhaw kaze dey called sum ob de older chilluns cannilalo out wid de good guides dey had - de teachers yo' know - dey finally got ter de country where dey put out ter go - de Blakely High School.

Now all 'long de journey some chilluns lef 'em en some new ones jined. Er pile ob chilluns come up frum Cedar Springs now - Mary Stokes en Hallie Ruth Perry en Wynette Hayes en Doris Odum. William Amos en Evelyn Clark en Jimmy Brown en Eugene Watson come too but I desremember whar frum.



Dis wuz in 1950 'en dey sets out agin fer de end ob de trip - en it would take em 4 mo' years ter git dar.

When dey got in de High School Country dey notice de thickets gettin' thicker en dese hyar cannibuls turned out ter be some more chilluns in dis country. Dey wuz called de Soph'mores. Dey would play tricks on dese other chilluns who wuz called Freshmen now. De cannibuls would paint the other girls faces till you didn't know 'em en dey would run dem boy chilluns down de belt line! Dey found heaps of other chillun tryin' ter get ter dis same place dey wuz goin' en all de peoples and other chilluns help' 'em along. Dey had er heap of nice things happen ter em too - de Football, de Basketball, de Junior-Senior Banquet, de Beta Club, de Tri-Hi-Y, de Hi-Y de F.F.A., en F.H.A., en er heap of other things. Now me 'en you don't know mech 'bout sech things as dese but law-zee, honey, dem chilluns did 'kaze you see, dey wuz gitten' edercated all the time. Louise Blackburn en Sonny Hewitt jined 'em now.

When dey cum to think about gitten near de end ob de trip, dey commenced ter git sadder en sadder 'kaze de wuz havin' er good time all er long. Dey got er new leader now, Mister G. W. Hause en dey got deyselves two new Guides - Miz J. O. Brown en Mis Annette Alexander, en dey had toched 'em sumpin' new. En so de sun shined brighter den ever, de skies wuz blue, en dey kep' on de trip round by Washington, D. C. Frances Pearson, from Hilton, jined up wid 'em.

Well, bless honey, dese chilluns had got ter de city ob Graduation now en dey figgered dey had learnt all de cud in high school. So dey 'jest started back to dey ship. Den dey realized dat dey couldn't make no journey back en dey sho' couldn't stay where dey wuz - ebber thing comes in goes yer know -- ebberthing like education, dat is. Time, hit wuz movin' on en dey knowed dey had ter move on too. So dey tole dey school friends goodbye wid tears in dey eyes and dey thank all dey teachers en principals en coaches en janitors en fellow classmates for dey help en patience en guidance.

Den dey all made a speech thru' dey Historian. Dey say, As we, the Senior Class of 1954, perpar' to journey on thru life in us jet plane, us feel dat us is better prepared ter become useful citizens. Us hates ter leave BHS but dat is de way ob life. De memories of us school days in Blakely-Union High School will be wid us always en will be one of us most cherished and loved possessions. All de fun us had, all de joys, all de sorrows of us pas' twelve years will be in us hearts forever 'n ever. Ebber time us sees de beloved Blue and Gold, us will have a feelin' ob rev'rence and honor, fer de Blakely-Union High School - the school we is alluz gwine love."

Faye Robinson

Historian





# CLASS PROPHECY

"Come hyar, chilluns," said Uncle Remus, "I'se gwine tell you a story 'bout dese chilluns what grad'ated frum Blakely-Union High School. Dat wuz er class, honey, dat wuz er class! Dey wuz allers attar wunner nudder, a pokin' en a perster'n 'roun', and sume days dey nearly run po' Mister Hause, Miz Brown, and Miss Annette plum ter death. Dey wuz sweet chilluns tho and dey's done rat well by derselves.

Take ole' Ted Sirmons--he got hisself a band whut now is de bes' one in all Dixie land.

Dat lil' Virginia Jackson--she allers had ambition. Her went ter colege 6 years and now her's a lab-technician.

Evelyn Clark had de purtiest brown hair and her's er airplane hostess away up in de air.

Now Charles Cosby, he's er 'tographer for Charm, de ladies' fashion book. He takes de purtty pichers of dat lil' Hallie Ruth Perry, dey is really dreams.

Bill Barksdale, now dat's de boy--he done had all de success. He's de gov'ner er Georgia and dat boy, he de bes'!

Jacquelyn Widener yer sho' want ter see en hear, she be de greatest opery singer ob de year.

Mary Alice Driver had er peaches en creme complexion--her tuk up hula dancing and now dat's her 'fession.

Norman Nobles wid his good looks poses wid de pretty girls fer de fashion books.

Speakin' er models, hyar is Miriam Bynum wid her pretty dark skin. Modelin' bathing suits helps her all de boys ter win.

William Amos a big famous lawyer is become. Hit's hard ter believe 'case lak all dem chillun, sometimes he wuz dum'!

Dat lil' Martha Nash has a 'fession ter make her boast. Frum 'sperience she writes de love stories fer Sater'day Evenin' Post.

Faye Robinson is got herself rich en she could flirt ter perfection! Dey say she tuk off ter Texas en got herself er oil-well collection.

Little Betty Odum used ter type and type en she got herself a job with Pres'dent Ike.

Myra Sue Jenkins wuz so pretty en sweet. She lerned to enbalm de folks frum de hed to de feet.



Lucy, over all de boys use ter swoon en dat chile lef hyar - de fust white 'oman ter fly ter de moon.

Mary Stokesont word dat she married early en had a fam'bly hard ter beat. She call'd her fust twins Pete en Repete.

Jimmy Brown an' Billy Ray Pittman jined de circus an' acts on de flying trapeze. Dey kin fly thru de air wid the greates' of ease.

One ob dese radio commentator's who ain't ne'er been late is Mickey McDonald en he's powful up-to date.

Now dat Sonny Hewitt is de riches' man in dis class--he tuk ter layin' bricks an he ne'er could do nothin' fast.

Royce Davenport, he tuk Mr. Jimmy Durante's place--he ain't got de same kind er figger but he sho' got de face.

Dat little Mary Frances a ballet dancer became. She sho is good en she's got fame!

Eugene Watson wuz de funniest boy! He runs one of dese diaper services en hit's his pride en' joy.

Norman Smith wuz pretty--he sho' had de looks. He done got sweet and writes dese 'tective story books.

Louise Blackburn, she's Miss Merica now. Lawsee, honey, dat chile got de "know-how."

Harvey Woolf, he was so pop'lar at school. Now he famus en raises Mr. Holman's mules.

Crawford Swann--dat bad boy is out on bail--he's de janiter ob de Early County Jail.

Wynette Hayes is a radio talker of note. She a politician--she wants der 'omans ter vote!

Doris Odum, honey, is er auto racer, brave en daring. She become dat kaze dat Bill, he quit caring.

You take Carl en Herbert now, dey had athletic fame en great coaches at Tech and Ga. Became.

Martha Jane Rogers is a lady doctor of re-nown. Her's de bestest and highest in dis county to be found!

So, you sees, chile, as de Time, hit goes on  
Dese chilluns is all doing rat well  
Jest gib dem all a few mo' years  
En by dat time, whut dey do, even I can't tell!

Claudette Fleming

Prophet





## CLASS WILL

Lawzee, honey, dis am de last tale I'se gwine ter tell 'bout dat Class of '54 as dey call deyselves. Now, you listen good. Des hyar class writ er will fur deyselves 'en dis is whut de said:

Us, de Senior Class of '54, havin' us sound mind - de class thought dey had sound minds but some ob de odder folks didn't think so - does hereby declare dis ter be our Last Will and Testament.

Us leaves ter Mister Hause, our Principal, us 'preciation fer de courtesees en pleasant hours he has given us.

To Miss Annette and Miz Brown us leaves our deep gratitude fer de worry en tro'ble dey has had wid us.

Junior Class: Sum advice, "Don't yer count yer diplomas 'til yer gets 'em"

Sophomore Class: De admonition ter study hard en learn de lessons 'caze it will take all yer kin lern en den sum.

Freshmen Class: Us sympathy en best wishes fer de long road yer still has to travel. As individuals, us bequeath de following:

I, William Amos, leaves ter Dean Cook my roadmap ter Arlington en Cedar Springs so he kin git ter dem places ter court de gals.

I, Bill Barksdale, out ob de kindness ob my heart, hereby bequeaths my brains ter Faye Wynne.

I, Louise Blackburn, wills my little waist line en quiet ways ter Martha Hodges.

I, Jimmy Brown, wills my kalm, kool, collected ways ter Patricia Davis.

I, Miriam Bynum, wills my big brown eyes, my Ipana smile, and olive complexion ter Daphner Collier.

I, Evelyn Clark, wills my ability ter become a Senior ter my sister Gracie.

I, Charles Cosby, wills ter Edmund Starling, E.J. Baker, and Harrell Mercer, my resistance ter de women. Dey love hit!

I, Royce Davenport, leaves my ability ter make de girls swoon ter Jimmy Temples wid his good voice 'en ter Max Bynum wid his good looks. Hit will take bofe of dese ter equals me.

I, Mary Alice Driver, wills my "give-away" blush ter Amelia Hutto.

I, Carl Fariss, leaves ter Nick Collins, my beautiful eyes en curly hair, knowing from experience they are er downfall to de women.

I, Claudette Fleming, wills my ability ter love one man en fool de rest ob 'em ter Nellie Ann Chandler. She kin do it er little already.



I, Wynette Hayes, does hereby leave my ability ter refrain from malicious gossip ter Barbara Balkcom, Betty Jones, en Marion Erwin, three talk-a-tive girls.

I, Sonny Hewitt, wills my "Firestone" truck, knowing dat hit has good recapped tires on hit, ter Jimmy Tucker so he will have er well trained thing ter court in.

I, Virginia Jackson, wills my desk in de shorthand class ter Julia Oldham so dat she will have some other source of income besides dat from Uncle Sam's Navy.

I, Myra Sue Jenkins, wills my "Doris Day" smile and winning ways ter Lanell Sheffield.

I, Mickey McDonald, does hereby bequeath my good looks ter Ted Smith 'kaze he do need 'em.

I, Martha Nash, leaves my charm en daintiness ter Louise Jones en Christine Reed.

I, Norman Nobles, leaves my size 7 shoes ter keep Betty Swann's size 10's company.

I, Betty Odum, wills my ability ter type wid two fingers ter Rodney Boyett.

I, Doris Odum, wills my love fer er certain blue Ford ter Robert Sammons 'kaze he's de only one I kin trust.

I, Mary Frances Owen, wills my interest in Uncle Sam's airplanes ter Peggy White.

I, Frances Pearson, wills my beautiful freckles ter Evelyn Timmons.

I, Hallie Ruth Perry, wills my love fer social science ter Tommy Jordan.

I, Billy Ray Pittman, wills my ability ter attend classes unprepared ter Ray Glass.

I, Faye Robinson, wills my disease of "basketball fever" ter Helen Holman.

I, Ted Sirmons, wills my love for an afternoon snooze in class ter Charles Rice en Jimmy Swann - dey will take good care ob hit.

I, Norman Smith, wills my movie star curls to Martha Jean Wiley.

I, Mary Stokes, leaves my basketball ability ter tall Barbara Marsh en short Jackie Loyless - maybe de combination will make er first class player lak me.

I, Crawford Swann, wills my interest in a certain blond ter Henry Wall.

I, Herbert Swords, wills my beautiful good looks en my pretty manners ter Harvey White.

I, Lucy Wasdin, wills my "never-worry, never-hurry" attitude ter Lemay Sims en Yvonne Davis.

I, Eugene Watson, wills my love for Miss Annette to Anne Morgan and Margie McDonald.

I, Jacquelyn Widener, wills my formula on how to have blond hair to Lois White and Peggy Swords.

I, Harvey Woolf, will my love for athletics and beautiful blonds to Bobby Tedder.

I, Martha Jane Rogers, wills my wonderful memories of being a Senior to Alice Batchelor.

Signed, sealed, and witnessed on this the thirty-first day of May, in the Presence of ourselves and our sponsors.

Martha Jane Rogers

Class Will

All dat signed, sealed, and witnessed stuff is whut folks suz 'bout wills yer know. Coze Uncle Remus ain't nebber gwine ter make no will but dem chillun tol' me 'bout hit.

Honey, I'se tired ob tellin' you 'bout dese chilluns. Dey sho wuz fine folks but you go on en play now kaze Uncle Remus gwine take hisself 'er nap.





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# WHO'S WHO

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Martha Jane Rogers  
Sonny Hewitt



MOST TALENTED  
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MOST TALENTED  
Crawford Swann



MOST POPULAR  
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# W H O ' S W H O

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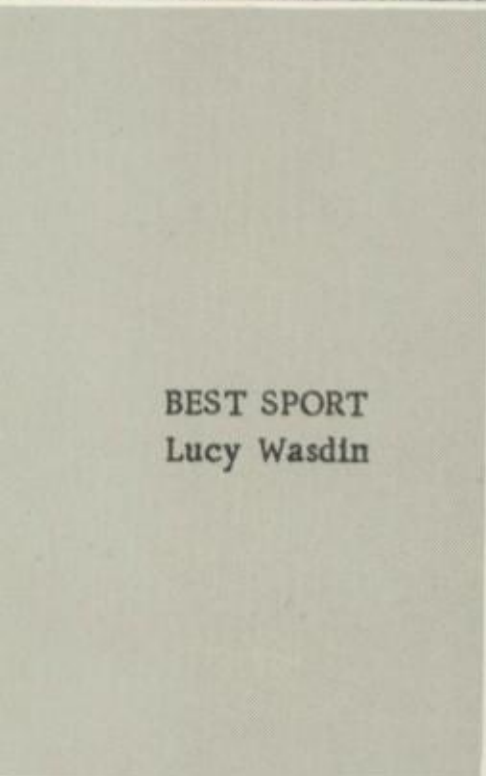




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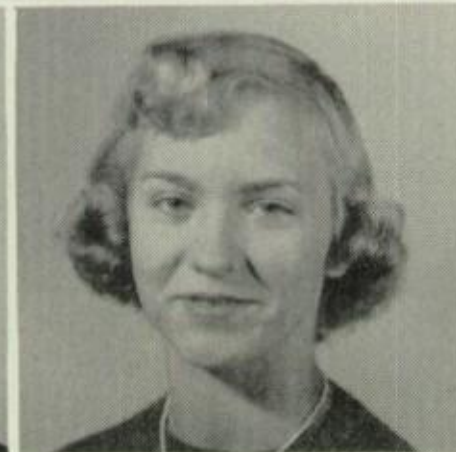
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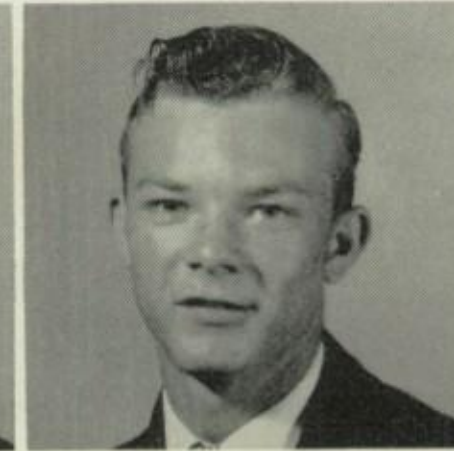
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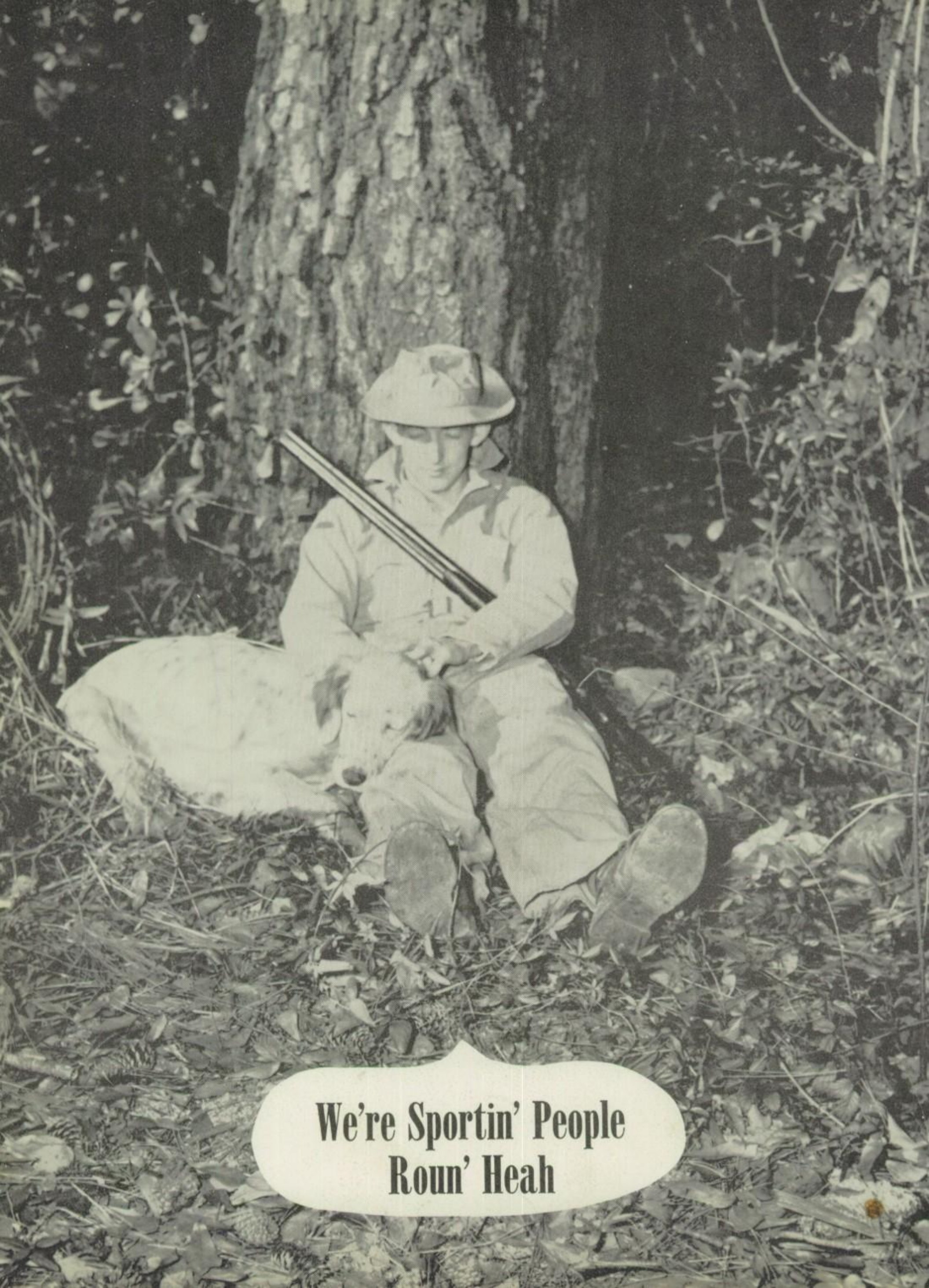
Betty Williams  
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Sue Williams





A. Need some help?, B. Sleeping Beauty, C. Slipping 'round - maybe?, D. Do Seniors misbehave?, E. Posing?, F. Bathin'Beauty, G. Hey, Good Looking, ain't you cookin'?, H. Cupid!, I. Using force!!, J. He shoots to kill!, K. Windy at the airport!, L. Sweater Girls!, M. Yesterday's lovers!, N. Roasted queens and an admirer, O. The Dentist's son., P. Romeos!, Q. A FreshmanBeauty!, R. A Pretty Senora. S. Smile for the Birdie!, T. A walking encyclopedia!, U. Three Monkeys. V. Beta Club Specimens!





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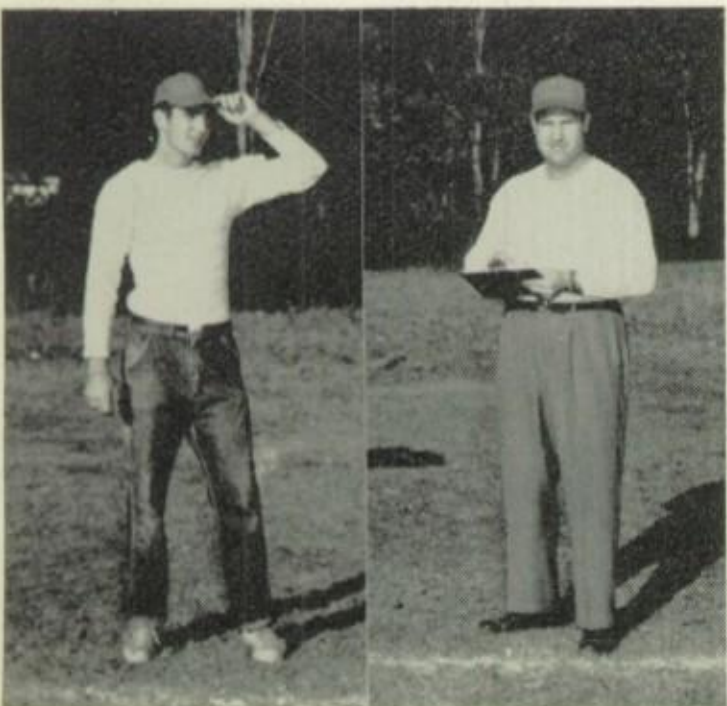
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13	Pelham at Pelham.....	7
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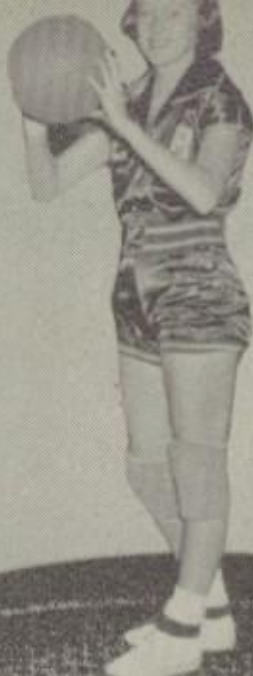
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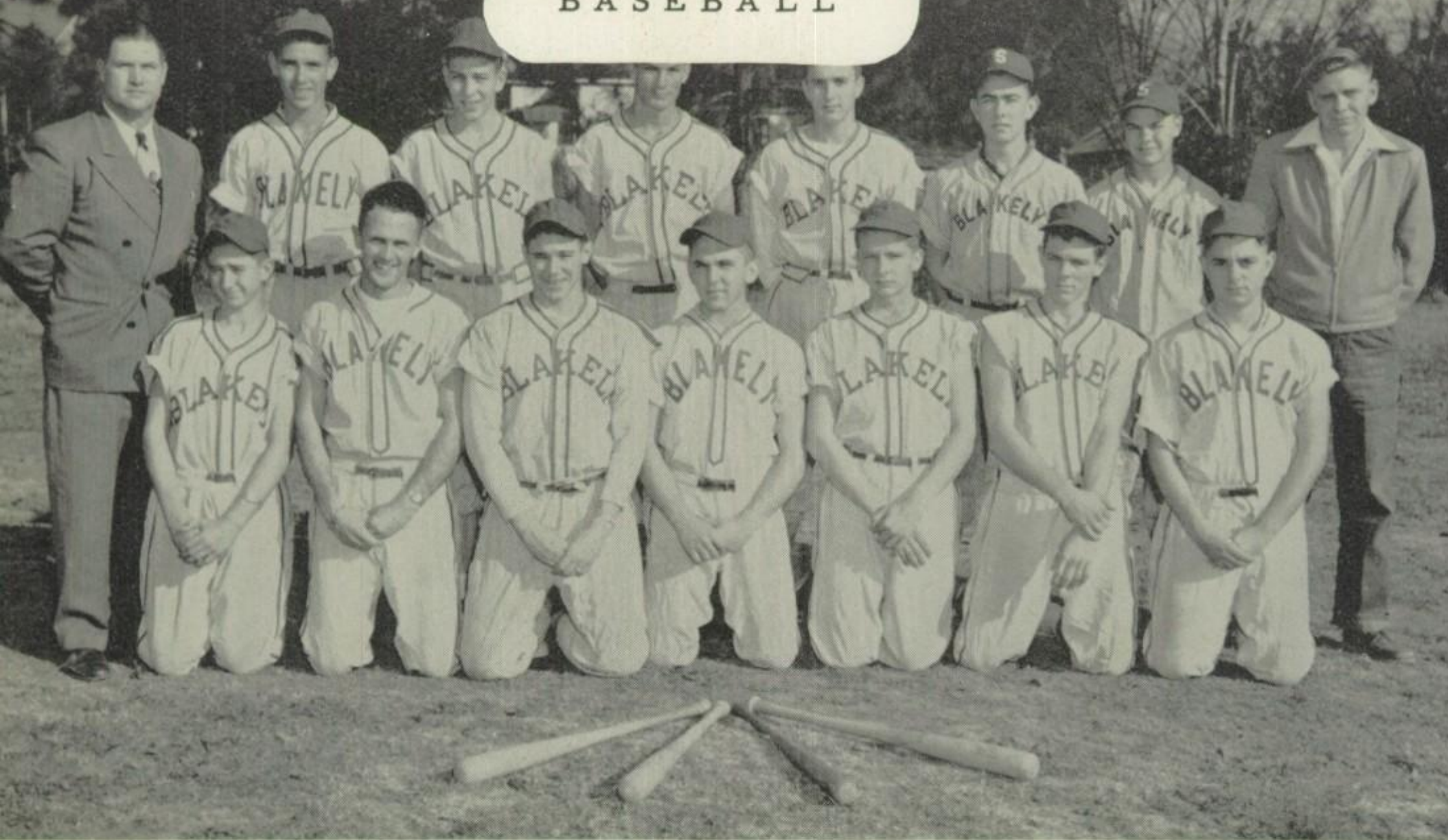
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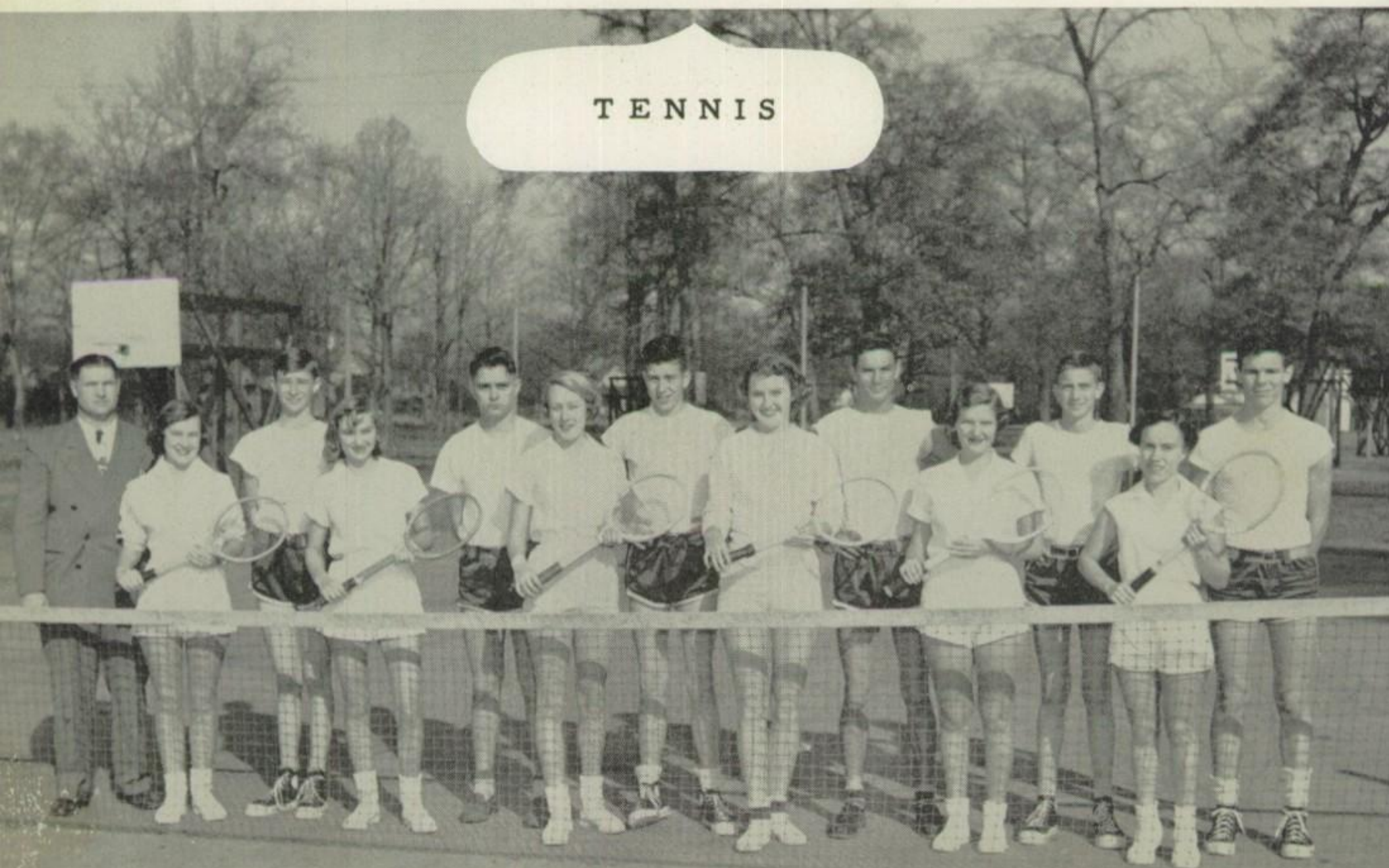
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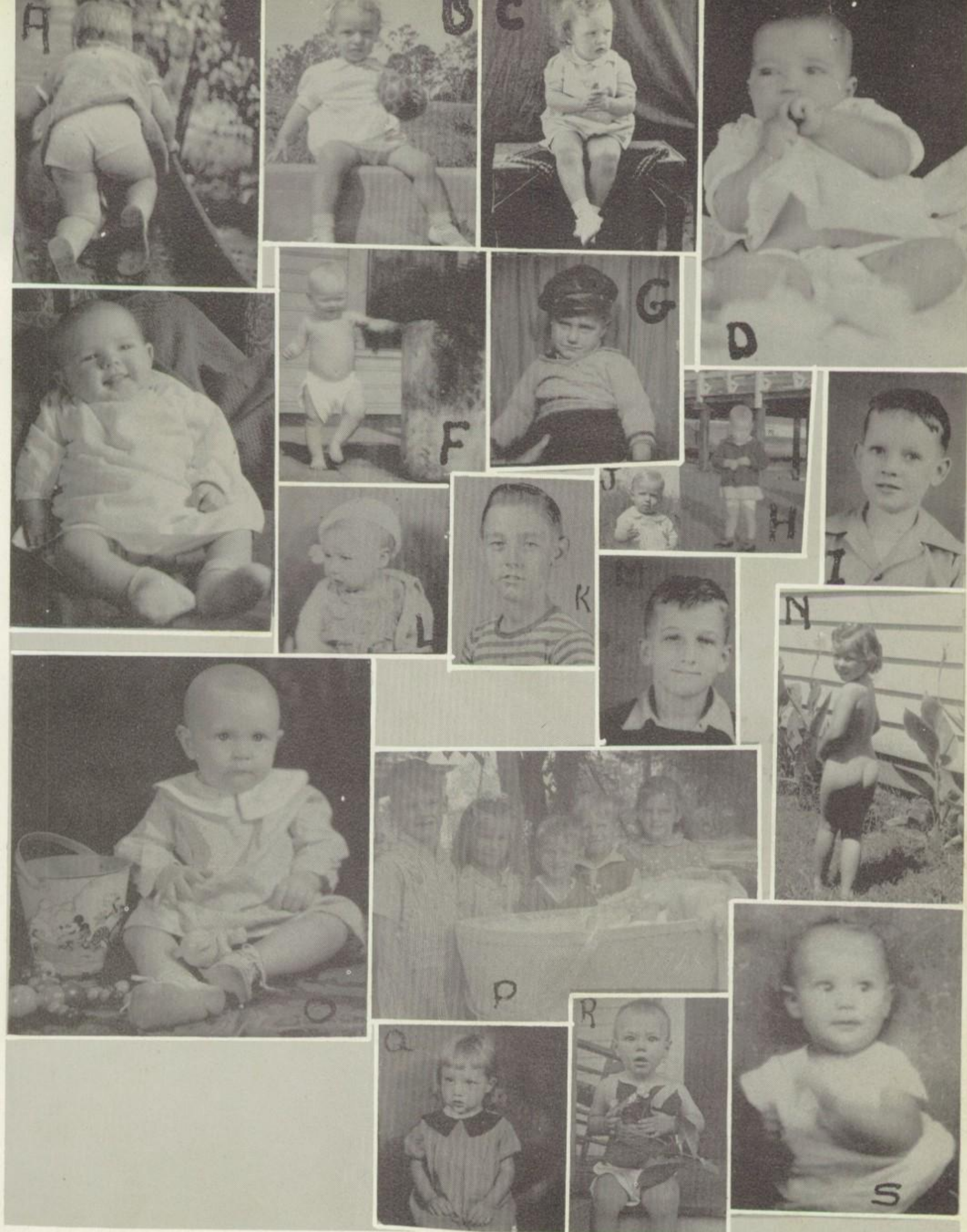
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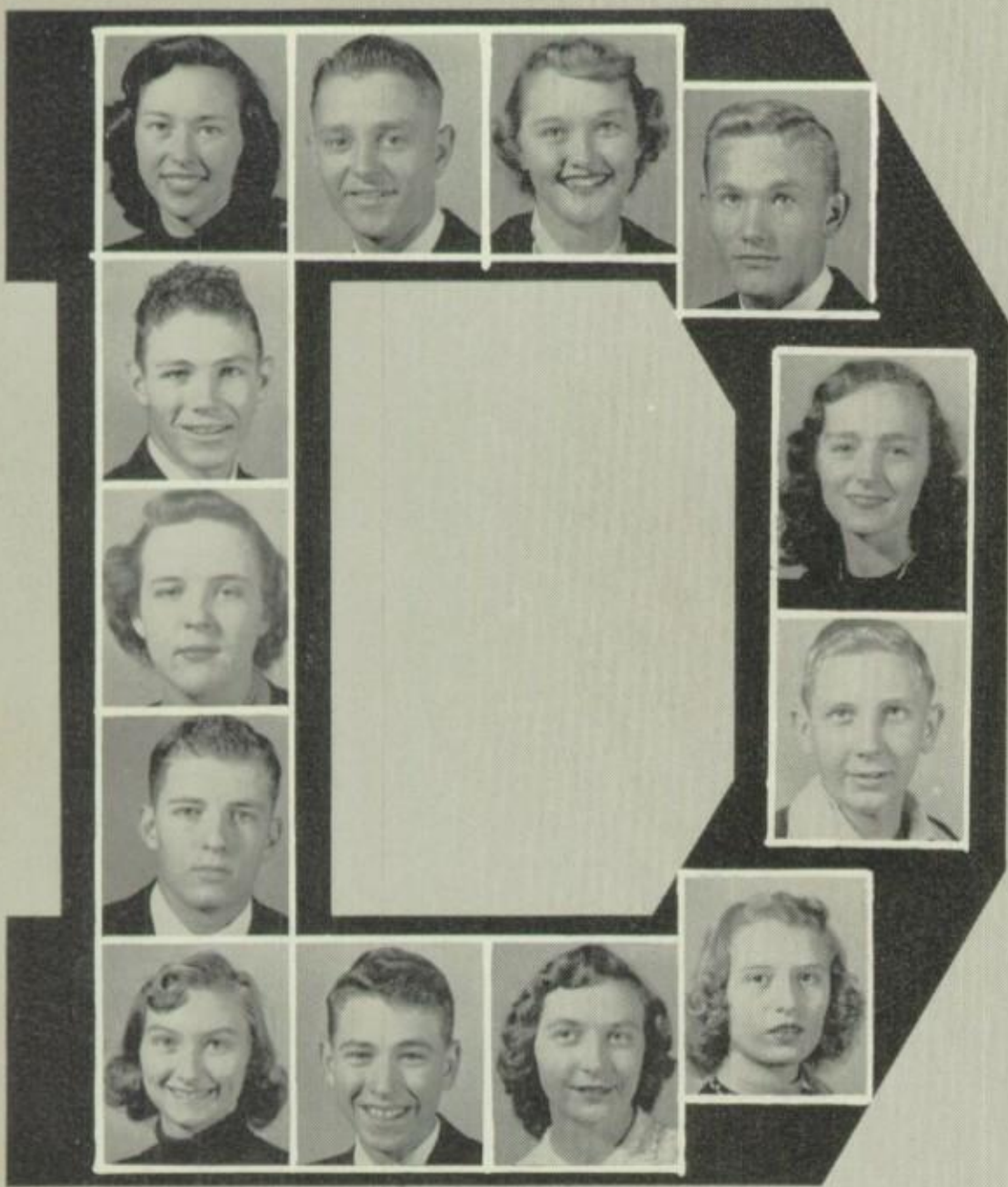
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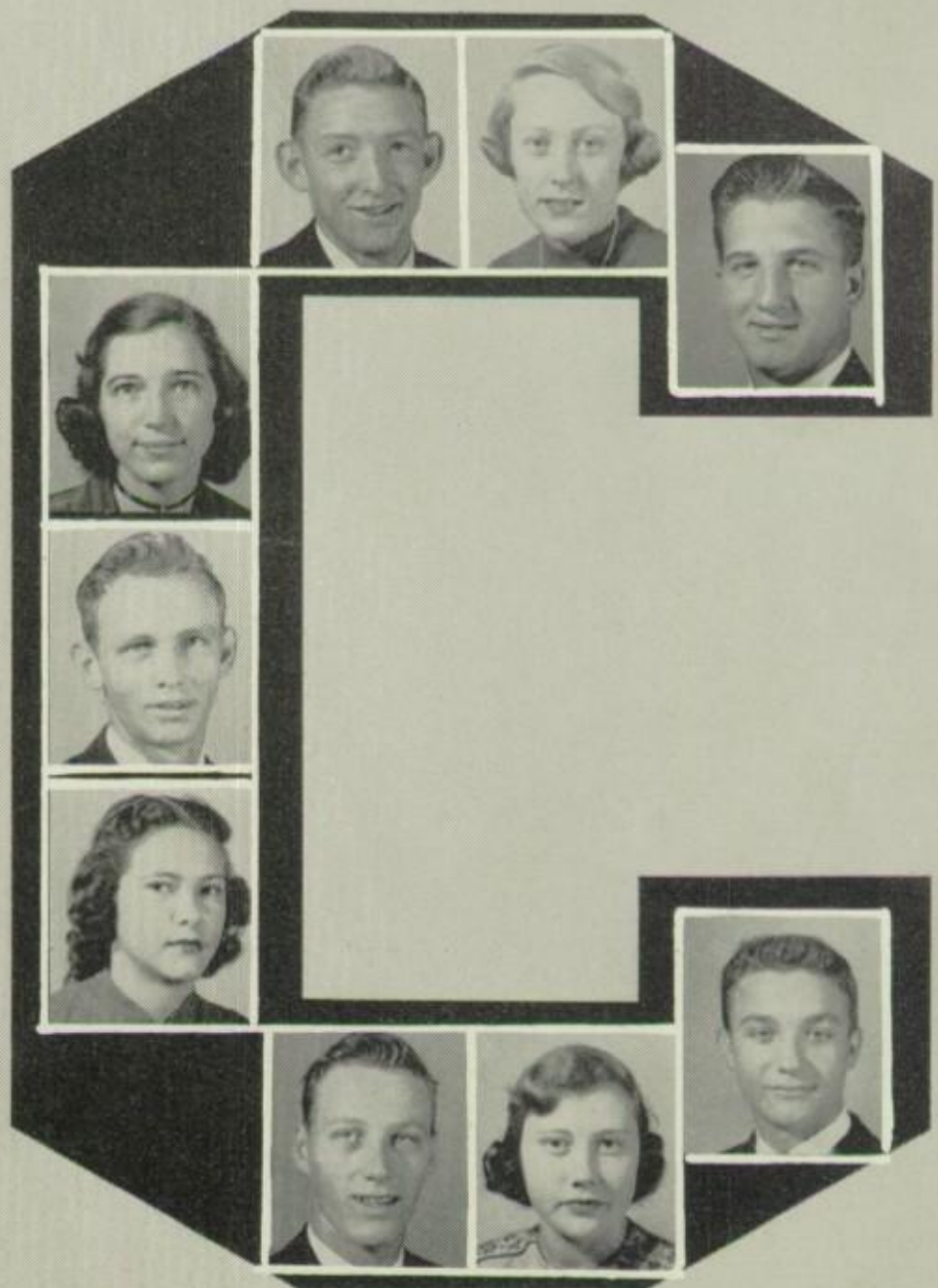






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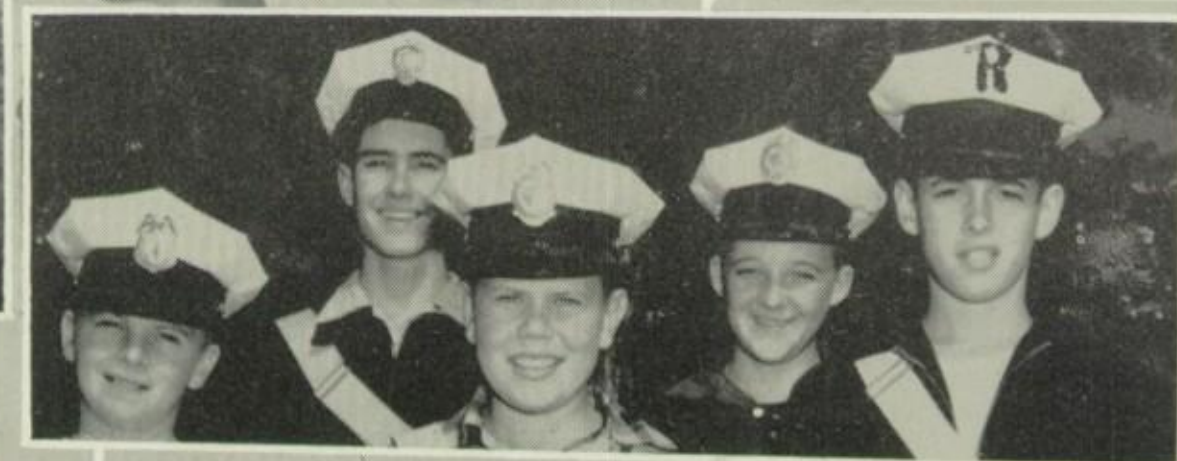
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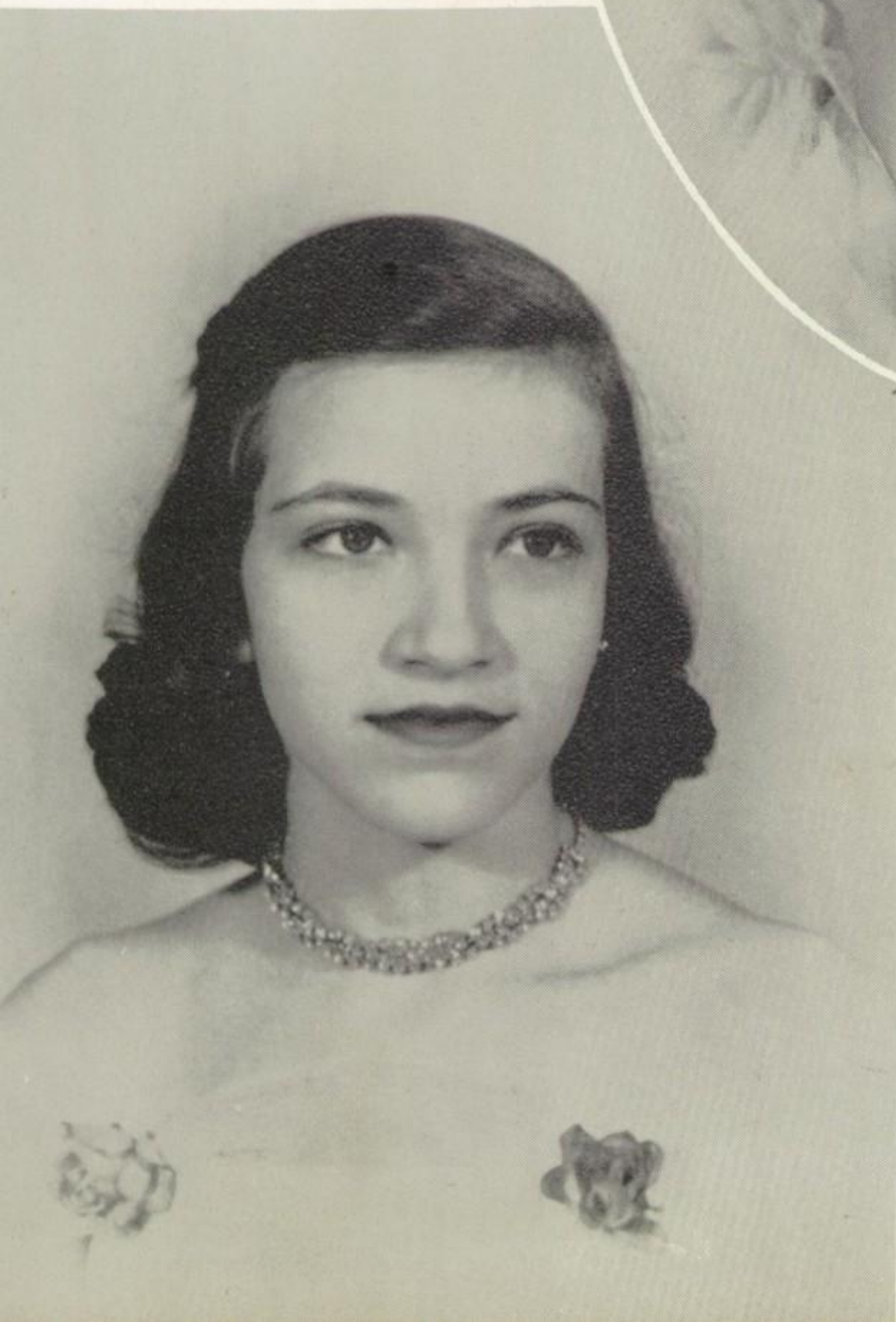
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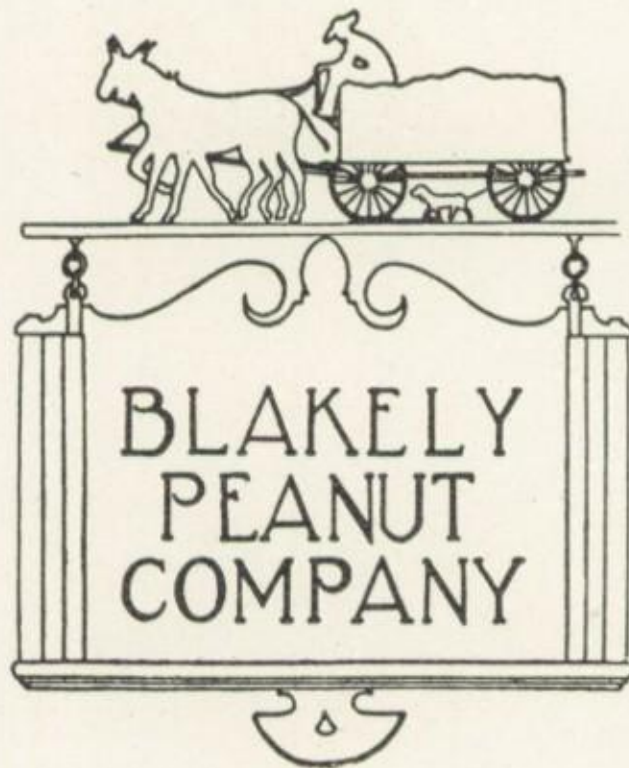
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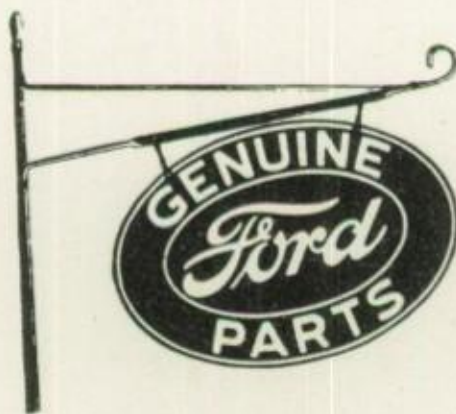
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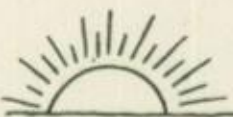

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